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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of )  
INOUE et al. ) Art Unit 2186  
Application Number: 10/768,146 ) Examiner  
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METHOD FOR DISK ARRAY DEVICE )  
Atty Docket No. WILL.0005 )

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**COVER LETTER**

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Independent Claims	2	2	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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[ ] Substitute Specification  
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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This is in response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2005, the period for response to which expires on March 13, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: